

## Message Text

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ACTION INR-10

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FM AMEMBASSY KINSHASA  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 1808  
INFO AMCONSUL LUBUMBASHI  
AMEMBASSY LUSAKA

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: OTRA, XJ, ECON, CG  
SUBJECT: OFFICIAL TRAVEL FOR DONALD L. SPARKS

REFS: (A) STATE 221476, (B) LUBUMBASHI 1094

1. EMBASSY IS PLEASE TO RECEIVE DON SPARKS. TIM HAUSER FROM ECON SECTION WILL BE CONTROL OFFICER AND SUGGESTS SPARKS PLAN TO STAY WITH HIM FOR DURATION OF HIS STAY IN KINSHASA. ECON SECTION WILL BRIEF SPARKS ON EMERGENCY ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE AS WILL AS MOBUTU PLAN. IN THIS LIGHT SPARKS SHOULD ALSO CONSULT WITH AID SPECIALISTS HERE.

2. LOCAL PEACE CORPS DIRECTOR HAS NO OBJECTION TO SPARKS VISITING RANDOLPH BUT OPPOSES JOINT TRAVEL PLANS, GIVEN PEACE CORPS' STRESS ON APOLITICAL ROLE. MOREOVER, DURING RECENT TRIP TO BANDUNDU PROVINCE, EMBOFFS FOUND ROAD TRAVEL EXTREMELY DIFFICULT, EVEN WITH FOUR-WHEEL DRIVE VEHICLE. GAS IS ALSO DIFFICULT TO FIND OUTSIDE KINSHASA. CONSEQUENTLY, GIVEN OBVIOUS TIME CONSTRAINTS, EMBASSY FEELS SPARKS SHOULD GIVE US ALTERNATIVE SUGGESTIONS FOR THIS PORTION OF HIS ITINERARY. WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO WORK OUT AN INTERESTING TRIP FOR HIM TO MBUJI-MAYI WITH ECON OFFICER M.L. GARRISON.

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3. IN ANY EVENT, GARRISON WOULD LIKE TO ACCOMPANY SPARKS TO LUBUMBASHI. AIR ZAIRE HAS SCHEDULED FLIGHTS FROM KINSHASA TO LUBUMBASHI ON WEDNESDAYS, THURSDAYS, FRIDAYS AND SUNDAYS. FRIDAY AND SUNDAY FLIGHTS ARE NON-STOP AND THEREFORE PREFERABLE.  
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